5. Taking the State as a whole, there were 95 institutions under the Collegiate Department in the year 1966-67 which were eligible for grants. Out of these, grants were paid to 47 institutions while 32 institutions did not file their claims. In the case of the 16 other Institutions, the statement received were incomplete. On receipt of full particulars grants will be released.

6. Considering that the rules provide for an advance grant being given based on the budget estimates for the current year and for the payment of loss of fee income during the year concerned, there can be no hardship to colleges which file their claims in time and follow the rules.

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## STATEMENT OF DEMANDS FOR GRANTS TO COVER EXPENDITURE INCURRED IN EXCESS DURING 1962-63.

*Presentation.*

Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Law).—Sir, on behalf of the Finance Minister I beg to present the statement showing the demands for grants to cover expenditure incurred in excess of voted grants and charged appropriations during 1962-63, as required under Article 205 of the Constitution of India.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Statement is presented.

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## BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1967-68.

### General Discussion.

(*Debate Continued*)

Sri S. D. KOTHAVALE (Sankeswar).—Mr. Speaker Sir, at the close of my speeeh last evening, I was referring to the water rates. I tried to point out that the recoveries that are proposed to be made in the present year are not enough even to cover 25 per cent of the cost of maintenance incurred on the irrigation projects. There may be difficulties in raising the water rates for the time being. But efforts should be made to increase them at least to a level where there will be neither loss nor gain to Government. This will enable the Government to balance the budget in this regard. I had brought to the notice of the house yesterday that the Maharastra Government has levied a rate of 450 rupees per acre of sugar can crop whereas in our State it is only Rs. 45 per acre. It is ten times more in Maharastra. Even then they are making profit. I do not know what the difficulty is here. Particularly in old Mysore area a very large extent of land has come under irrigation. The expenditure per acre, by private irrigation may be more than 1,000. There is a good case for increasing the water rate. The Government may have its own reasons for not doing it immediately. Let them do it progressively.